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GRANDRIFLE CONTEST

ROSWELL WINS BY NARROW MARGIN IN THE SECOND CONTEST THE FIRST BEING WON BY CARLSBAD.

Last Sunday at Company "B" rifle range, Roswell came near tying the score, but the odds are still with Carlsbad's first team, which beat the Roswell team a few weeks ago at Roswell by some forty odd points, while the Roswell Institute team beat the Carlsbad team here last Sunday by the small margin of fourteen points, which is only a small fraction more than one per cent.

It was a close match, and a clean match, the Roswell men expressing their hearty thanks to the officers here for the courteous treatment received.

The firing began at 7:45, and was ended by 2:15 in the afternoon. Lunch consisting of sandwiches, hard boiled eggs, pickles and cakes, with an abundance of hot coffee with real cream and sugar, was served freely to some fifty to seventy-five people who were present at noon.

As will be seen by the score, given in full in another column, the Military Institute first team was first, with total score of 1064, with the

Company B first team second with 1050 points; the Roswell Town team third with 997 and the Company "B" second team with 976.

The match began at the 300 yard range, slow fire, where ten shots were fired by each man for record. This was closely contested, there being only nine points between the high team and the lowest.

The features of the shoot were the only perfect scores of the day, both made by Carlsbad men, George Fredrick, of course, and Bob Hunsick, who both made possible at 300 yards rapid fire. At no point of the match were the Institute team certain of winning until practically the last shot was fired.

Company "B" second team ran far ahead of the Roswell town team on slow fire, but when it came to rapid fire, the Roswell men with the Krag rifles, which are sighted point blank for 300 yards, on rapid fire made highest score of all four teams, and here went ahead of the second team.

Official score of rifle competition, Roswell vs. Carlsbad, fired at Carlsbad, N. M., on Sunday, March 19, 1916, between two Roswell teams and two Carlsbad teams, of five men each:

Institute—Roswell:					—Rapid Fire—				
—Slow Fire—		300 yds.		600 yds.	200 yds.		300 yds.	Totals.	
Leonard	46	43	35	38	41	203			
Klotz	40	41	40	43	39	203			
Letcher	40	43	44	38	46	211			
Talbot	40	44	46	48	47	225			
Wilson	45	47	41	46	43	222			
Totals	211	218	206	213	216	1064			
Carlsbad—Town Team:									
Fredrick	45	46	41	46	50	228			
West	40	47	36	47	43	213			
Hunsick	44	39	36	46	50	215			
Craig	42	47	36	38	35	198			
Wilkinson	38	47	35	31	45	196			
Totals	209	226	184	208	223	1050			
Roswell—Town Team:									
Weatherly	41	42	39	48	48	218			
Montgomery	41	34	36	45	39	195			
Davidson	40	40	30	45	45	200			
Allison	42	41	31	44	43	201			
Ford	39	45	5	48	46	183			
Totals	203	202	141	230	221	997			
Company "B"—Carlsbad:									
Richey	41	42	44	44	46	217			
Haubach	42	41	36	37	42	198			
Collins	40	42	40	37	29	188			
Dean	38	46	33	42	36	195			
Nutt	41	41	20	40	36	178			
Totals	202	212	173	200	189	976			

I hereby certify the above to be a true and correct copy of tabulation of official score, made at rifle competition at Carlsbad, N. M., Sunday, March 19, 1916, between two teams from Roswell and two teams from Carlsbad, said teams of five men each.

At Carlsbad, N. M., this 19th day of March, A. D., 1916.
H. F. CHRISTIAN,
First Lieutenant New Mexico National Guard, Statistical Officer.

SIXTY PER CENT OF TOWN DESTROYED BY FLAMES.

Bonham, Texas, March 21.—At least sixty per cent of the residential and business district of Paris, Texas, thirty miles from here, has been destroyed at midnight tonight by the fire which started late this afternoon, according to a report here. No casualties have been reported.

The fire, which started shortly after 5 o'clock in the extreme southern portion of the city, has left a funnel-shaped wake of destruction, two blocks wide at the start, and from eight to ten blocks wide where the fire was raging at midnight.

The suffering in Paris is great, according to reports from there. The destruction of practically every mercantile establishment has cut off the food supply and unless food and clothing is sent in from outside points there will be keen distress.

Paris has a population of about 40,000 of which forty per cent are negroes. It was estimated that at least five thousand persons were without shelter and food.

Residents have been so busy in combating the flames, according to word here, that they have given little thought to succoring the homeless and destitute. The damage is estimated at between \$1,750,000 and \$2,000,000.

Every able bodied citizen was at work tonight in a fireman's role, either participating in bucket brigades with a none too plentiful water supply or assisting in manning fire fighting apparatus rushed there from Dallas, Honey Grove and Bonham, Texas, and Hugo, Okla.

Prospects of getting the fire under control before early morning were considered slight at midnight.

By regular channels of communication, Paris was entirely isolated to-night except for one feeble railroad telegraph wire.

The structures of two national and one state bank, the Paris postoffice, Paris high school building, three churches, the two Paris newspapers and other business buildings were added to the list destroyed buildings late tonight.

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FIRE DESTROYS TOWN IN WESTERN KANSAS.

Topeka, Kan., March 21.—According to reports reaching Neas City the town of Ulica, in western Kansas, has been destroyed by fire. Telephone wires are down. Scott City has received reports that the town of Modoc, west of Ulica, also has been destroyed by fire.

South of Jetmore, a prairie fire burned over several farms but was put under control late tonight. Colby reports that one farm house was burned south of that city. Another fire south of Neas City burned off land three miles square. Near Alexander a large barn was destroyed. Wire communication with both Ulica and Modoc was cut off tonight and it was impossible to learn the extent of the damage.

\$500,000 FIRE OCCURS IN MCKINNEY, TEXAS.

McKinney, Texas, March 21.—Fire, starting in a residence here today caused damage estimated at \$500,000. The plant of the McKinney Cotton Compress company with 3,000 bales of cotton were destroyed.

\$450,000 FIRE LOSS IN HOBART, OKLAHOMA.

Hobart, Okla., March 21.—The Interstate Compress company's plant here, containing seven thousand bales of cotton, was destroyed here today by fire of unknown origin. The loss was estimated tonight to be more than \$450,000. Systematic fire fighting was out of the question because of a high wind and insufficient water.

PARIS, TEXAS, FIRE.

Paris, Texas, March 21.—Only fifteen out of more than 140 business buildings were left standing at 10:30 o'clock tonight by the fire which swept over the city late today. The fire was still burning at that hour, having passed the public square into the north side residential district.

G. E. Mulhaupt, a hotel man from Kiowa, Kan., is at the Palace this week enjoying a long needed rest.

TWO EGGS IN ONE DAY.

M. N. Cunningham, residing near the Tansill farm, reports quite a curiosity in the shape of a small egg with a good shell inside of a large egg, being two eggs in one, which was deposited by one of Mr. Cunningham's prolific hens which seemed to be determined to lay two eggs in one day and to prove she could just enclose one inside the other. The egg will be on exhibition at the Current office shortly.

Mrs. Jack Halbert will entertain the ladies class of the Baptist Sunday school this afternoon.

EUNICE ON THE MAP.

Eunice N. M., March 16.—The thrift and enterprise of this community surprises visitors who are not familiar with the progress of the plains. Here and there and everywhere are fine farms with cattle and hogs, great piles of feed, and barns full of grain. The school employs two teachers. The Democrat, a weekly newspaper, is published here. A Methodist church will be built in the near future; the contract having been let for the material.

FOR SALE.—Five lots and residence cheap. Enquire at this office.

MISS REIFF SEES BATTLE FIELD

Carlsbad Lady Writes as An Eye Witness—After the Battle.

Tyrone, N. M., Mar. 15, 1916. Sunday some friends took me down to Columbus, N. M., where Villa made the attack. It is only about seventy-five miles from here. We went via Deming. The sights were pitiful.

Business houses with crepe on their doors—three quite near each other, gruesome remains of the fire, the best part of the town destroyed. We saw bullet holes in many windows, smashed glass and such debris as you would imagine resulting from such a conflagration. The soldiers told us in detail about the attack. We were shown two of Villa's soldiers they had in captivity; one a captain, the other a spy condemned to be shot. They were sweeping manure off the street. They, the soldiers, also took us to the place where they had burned the bodies of seventy bandits they had killed in Columbus during the at-

NEW MEXICO LOSES GOOD MAN

FELIX MARTINEZ PASSES AWAY IN EL PASO, TEXAS.

Noted Statesman and Financier Succumbs to Short Attack of Pneumonia; Funeral to Be Held Tomorrow. Played Busy Part in Building up Southwest. Was Most Prominent Candidate for Democratic Nomination for United States Senator.

El Paso, March 22.—Felix Martinez, one of the wealthiest and most prominent citizens of El Paso, died at his home in this city at 4:20 o'clock this afternoon after an illness of about a week from pneumonia.

The condition of Mr. Martinez became critical during the day Tuesday, and physicians held out little hope for his recovery. His death this afternoon, while sudden, was not unexpected in view of the developments in the progress of the disease. The funeral will be held in El Paso Friday, according to an announce-

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tack. Many more were yet out on the prairie. We ordered some pictures of all interesting features and I will send them over to you to look at when I get them. It was an inexcusable attack.

All accounts in the El Paso papers were true, neither over nor under drawn.

Naturally all possible preparedness is being centered in Columbus, the ill-fated town, lying only two and one-half miles from the border.

Aeroplane, trainloads of supplies and ammunition are traveling there daily. Unless the resident Mexicans should stir up trouble here in this camp, we fear no other attack. But many fear war is inevitable.

They are carefully guarding the Armory in Silver City. Deming is protected with soldiers it being only thirty-four miles from Columbus.

Don't think Villa will return to the United States soon as he is believed to be in hiding.

About two hundred made the raid on Columbus and he had fifteen hundred more for re-inforcements only twenty miles away. Villa, himself, gave orders from a little green house just out of Columbus. I wouldn't take anything for that trip. The attack was made about four in the morning. All American women and children were ordered out on Friday. We are hoping it may keep quiet here. Don't worry, for we will take no risks knowingly.

Mrs. Bering has been released from the Anderson sanitarium and has gone to visit with their daughter, Mrs. John Cantrell, about 14 miles out on the Queen road.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Coad were up from the ranch at Red Bluff yesterday to meet a friend, Miss Latenser, from Omaha, Neb.

The Methodist ladies wish to say that although their monthly market day is April 1st, the parcel post sale is by no means an April fool. The parcels will all be worth 10 and 25 cents.

John Plowman and family, also Mr. and Mrs. Todd, of Malaga, spent yesterday in Carlsbad. They visited the studio and enjoyed dinner at the Carlsbad Springs hotel. They made the trip in the Plowman car.

ment made from the Martinez home tonight.

The death of Felix Martinez removes from the stage of life one of the really noted figures of the southwest and one who has played a conspicuous part in the development of this section. As a statesman and a financier he had few equals, and his loss will be felt nowhere more keenly than in his native state of New Mexico, which was the beneficiary of some of his ablest efforts.

Mr. Martinez was born in Taos on the 28th day of March, 1857, and was therefore only a week short of 59 years of age, at the time of his death. He was the son of Felix T. and Reyes Cordova Martinez, and was a descendant of General Felix Martinez, who was governor of New Mexico in 1715. He was educated by private teachers and in the private schools of Mora and Denver, and was recognized by all who knew him as a profound scholar and student of public affairs.

On September 24, 1880, Mr. Martinez was married to Miss Virginia Buster in Las Vegas, and for some time afterwards was engaged in mercantile business in Las Vegas. In 1886 he sold out his mercantile business and went into the real estate business in Las Vegas. In 1897 he moved to El Paso where he immediately took an active part in the business life of that city, but at all times he retained his legal residence in Las Vegas and was always a dominant factor in the politics of that section of New Mexico. He was one of the organizers of the El Paso chamber of commerce and was prominently identified with numerous public enterprises in that city, including the waterworks, the street railway system and the erection of the new terminal station.

Mr. Martinez was one of the organizers of the El Paso Valley Water Users' association, which had most to do with obtaining the federal appropriation for the Elephant Butte project, the largest irrigation project in the United States, which is now nearing completion. He has a prominent figure in the meeting between Presidents Taft and Diaz on the international bridge, between the United States and Mexico, presenting golden goblets to both presidents in a speech. It was perhaps as a financier that Mr. Martinez was best known. For many years he was a director of the

SHEEP HERDER KILLED

First National bank and the First Mortgage company, of El Paso, severing his connection with those institutions in order to become a member of the board of directors of the regional reserve bank at Dallas after the enactment of the present federal reserve bank act, which office he held at the time of his death.

Mr. Martinez was a lifelong democrat and was always active in the councils of that party in New Mexico. He was appointed by President Wilson as one of the commissioners to visit South American countries in the interest of the Panama-Pacific exposition, and did splendid work in promoting a better feeling between the people of the two Americas on the occasion of that trip.

In the campaign for the election of United States senators at the first session of the first state legislature, in 1912, Mr. Martinez was a formidable candidate for one of the senatorships, and at one time was within one vote of election. At the time of his death he was prominently mentioned as the nominee of his party for United States senator in the campaign which is to take place next fall.

ARMY EXTREMELY ANXIOUS TO USE MEXICAN RAILROAD LINE.

San Antonio, Texas, March 20.—The steady and rapid advance of a part of General Pershing's force into Mexico has increased the desire of those in army headquarters here to urge the use of the Mexico Northwestern railway for handling supplies. Cruces, a point that probably will be reached by one of the cavalry detachments, is about 200 miles from the border, and Lake Babicora, a like distance. It was pointed out that any delay in getting supplies through from the border to Casas Grandes, from where it can be sent forward to the mobile units operating south of there, might interfere seriously with General Pershing's plan of pursuit.

General Funston evinced no impatience, but he did show concern and expressed the hope that Carranza would not misunderstand the motive for his request. Even if the request is granted, it will be some days before the road can be used, because at two points, at least, repairs will have to be made. American rolling stock will have to be sent across the line on account of its lack on the other side, and American crews and dispatchers will be used.

"The reasons for their use should be obvious," said an army officer tonight. "General Funston has made it plain to the war department that his only desire to use the road is for the transportation of supplies, but he has not concealed the fact that a guard will be placed on every train and that it might become necessary to station guards at the different points along the rest of the way."

General Pershing has advised Gen. Funston that he has found quantities of alfalfa for his animals, also that he has experienced no difficulty in getting grain.

The question of occupying cities and towns in Mexico is not worrying those at headquarters. "Our troops will be too busy to camp in any place long nor would we consider it wise, on account of the sanitary conditions, to do so," said one of the headquarters officials. Whether the troops marched through Galena or marched around it on their way south is not known. General Pershing did not report on that point.

MRS. PATTERSON ENTERTAINS.

In complement to her sister, Mrs. Morrow, Mrs. Ollie Patterson entertained a large number of friends Friday afternoon at her home, where an exceedingly pretty and effective color scheme was carried out—green and white predominating, with touches of yellow johnnys, narcissus and lovely pot plants. Victrola music filled the house furnishing a guessing contest, twelve numbers being played, the guests were passed a green slip of paper and the lady writing correctly the greatest number of titles was awarded a cut glass vase, which fell to Mrs. H. I. Braden, she having ten out of the twelve.

The color scheme was carried out in the refreshments of green and white block ice cream, angel food cake, coffee, and green and white mints. Mrs. Patterson was assisted with the serving by Misses Grace O'Quinn, Frances Cooke. The guests were Mesdames Cressy, E. T. Carter, E. Purdy, Halley, Linn, Penny, Will Ed. Carter, Swigart, Mother Swigart, Adams, Fredrick, Dilly, Flowers, Braden, A. J. Crawford, Hunsick, Ervin, Durham, and little Margaretta Welpton.

W. E. Ragsdale, wife and little son, of Artesia, spent yesterday in Carlsbad. Mr. Ragsdale is manager of the racket store at that place.

W. R. Stubbs came in yesterday from Lawrence, Kansas, and went out to the D ranch today.

C. C. Halbert was here Monday and Tuesday from their ranch beyond Lovington.

J. W. Everett traded his Ford touring car with Dean Smith and Chas. Tucker for a five passenger Overland touring car, giving \$300 difference. Christian & Co. INSURANCE.

JUAN ARRAGY FOUND DEAD ON SHEEP RANGE TWENTY-FIVE MILES WEST OF CARLSBAD—FRIENDS FEAR FOUL PLAY.

Young Mexican Sheep Herder's Body Lies on Prairie for Ten Days. Coroner's Jury Left This Morning to Hold Inquest.

Last Saturday Jim Etcheverry came into Carlsbad and reported to the authorities that Juan Arragy, the sheep herder in his employ out at the old Kuykendall ranch, north of Moseley ranch, had been missing for a week and that he, (Etcheverry) and five others had been on a hunt for the boy for the whole week. Jim and his brother Payo Etcheverry, some time since purchased the Kuykendall place and have been running their sheep there for more than a year and have had the Arragy boy as one of their herders. Jim Etcheverry had been in Carlsbad for supplies and returned to the ranch Saturday night, the 11th instant, and Sunday morning noticed some sheep on the hill not far from the ranch. He immediately went out and found several little bunches. There was evidence that the sheep had been brought in and watered Saturday. Etcheverry then secured help and commenced to round up his sheep and secured all but forty and the party then commenced to search for the boy who was herding. The party consisting of Jim and Payo Etcheverry, Victor Delgado, a Mexican named Severino, Dolores Martinez and Francisco Alzugaray searched until Friday of last week and then came to town and reported the matter to the sheriff's office, Deputy Gordon going out this week. It is certain the boy did not leave of his own account for he had an interest in the sheep, having worked for more than a year and had taken part pay in his wages in sheep. Some are inclined to the belief that he has met with foul play but are unable to give any good reason why he should have been molested unless he might have gotten in a dispute over the range and have been put out of the way in order to drive the sheep out of the country. The missing boy's parents are dead but he has a couple of brothers here and two little sisters in Pecos who he was supporting by herding sheep.

SHEEP HERDER'S BODY FOUND.

K. K. Scott, prosecuting attorney, came by auto from Roswell this morning, arriving here at seven o'clock. He went with the men that went out to examine the body of the boy sheep herder who was found last night about dark, by Carl Gordon. The car went out from here. It is about twenty-five miles west of here and the boy's body was about two miles from camp. Twelve or fourteen men left town this morning, among them were: M. C. Stewart, Judge Richards, Judge Armstrong, Carl Gordon, J. D. Walker and others. An inquest will be held by the justice, Mr. Richards. As no examination of the body was made by Mr. Gordon we will be unable to learn how the boy met death until the party comes in.

Jack Greenlee had some trouble on his last run to Queen, got a lame hub somewhere near the top of the mountain and got back to the Thayer ranch late Tuesday and did not get the car fixed that night, so came in Wednesday, getting here about ten o'clock.

Mrs. C. J. Hale and family stopped over at the Palace Tuesday night en route to Roswell. They have been living at Loving and are moving to Roswell.

PRICE OF PAPER ONE-FOURTH HIGHER.

Readers of newspapers may not be aware of the fact, but all kinds of paper costs about twenty-five per cent more than was paid two years ago and in consequence the subscription price of newspapers will be raised as well as the advertising rates, which many papers have already doubled in order to meet the increased cost of paper, ink, and skilled labor. In order to be able and to keep able to pay the bills the Current will not receive any more advertising at a lower rate than fifteen cents per inch of the column where the ad must be put in type and all bills after next month will be rendered at the rates published below:

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The Current will accept advertising from responsible parties payable on 1st of month following the appearance of the ad. at the following rates:

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Reading notices ten cents per line. All local notices payable before being inserted.